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THE BUTTE ROUTE. The annouacement by officials of the Northern Pacific railway that a line will be built by that company from Gallatin to Butte by way of the Homestake pass has furnished the Inter Mountain with the opportunity to indulge in an outon Thursday at which the decision of tautological), and a black-mailer. the company to build by the Homestake pass was announced Engineer Ray, of Butte, freely stated that the Northern Pacific directors were fully justified in adopting the route by way of Mullan pass, when the road was constructed, because at that time no more feasible route had been discovered, and that the grade at Mullan is 854 feet lower than the grade at Pipestone and 774 feet lower than the grade at the Homestake pass. Subsequent surveys, however, have shown that the higher grades at Pipestone and Homestake can be overcome as easily as was that at Mullan. It may possibly be news to the Inter Mountain that a survey of the Pipestone reconnoissance and report made, six | foute, the distance is about seventy miles. weeks before the subject was taken up by the Butte board of trade, and that but for the illness of the engineer assigned to the work the survey would have been completed before the Butteites had round-trip tickets for half-fare. made a move. Not all the nonsensical rot injected into the question by the Inter
Mountain will convince any one who
cares to acquaint himself with the facts
that unfair means were used to procure
the adoption of the route that engineers
of the highest rouk in their profession The continuance of the Inter Mountain's time-worn and moth-eaten allegations against railway officials and

serve to weary its readers and disgust its few friends. The route through the Homestake pass has been adopted after a thorough examination of both that and the Pipestone pass, which shows that the grade of the Homestake is eighty feet less than that of the Pipestone, while the route will be six and one-half miles shorter. The Northern Pseific will thus have a direct line from St. Paul to Butte which will be 125 miles shorter than the Montana Central's line between the same points. The new line will also give direct connections between Butte and Anaconda and the great fuel supply-point of Montans, Red Lodge, which will add certainty to the operations of the smelters at the cities named.

The allegation which the Inter Mountain so delights to repeat, that the construction of the Gallatin and Butte line will injure Helena, is without foundation. The capital city is in no way dependent for its own prosperity upon the retardment of the growth of any other city or town in the territory. Helena is and will continue to be the chief commercial city of Montana, and will benefit rather than suffer by the prosperity

It is subject for regret that the country has not more congressmen with the disposition and means of Representative Roswell P. Flower, of New York, to inform themselves upon questions of importance coming before congress. Mr. Flower's journey to the west to investigate the storage-reservoir question can only have the effect of convincing him, gress, of the entire practicability of the plan of reclaiming the arid lands of the west by means of irrigation, and if he and through him other members of conascertains that any individuals or corporations are to be unduly benefited by the adoption of sites already proposed, it will be comparatively easy to adjust matter- so that the masses of the people will receive the profit that is certain to follow the establishment of canals fed from storage reservoirs.

A GLOOM like unto that of the grave pervades the columns of the Butte republican organ, because of the pulverization of the party it represents in the municipal election of last Monday. That event meant much more than the few local offices in sight at the time, for it sounded the political death of the republican ring that has had its "broad and greasy hand," as Murat Halstead put it, upon the throat of the city. It means, also, that Gen. Warren will not be heard from in the republican convention. If, however, he should sufficiently recover to make any fight for a nomination, his defeat in the mayoralty contest will come up against him.

It will be satisfaction to the gentlemen comprising the Rocky Fork Coal company to know that they have the quasi endorsement of the Inter Mountain, which was pleased to say in its issue of Thursday that "the company is believed to be thoroughly reliable."

In Allen Thorndyke Rice the United States will have a more able representative abroad than has graced the diplomatic corps since Robert Schenck hobmatic corps since Robert Schence Robert Schence hobmatic corps since Robert Schence hobmatic corps si tive abroad than has graced the diplo-

great American game of draw poker. While loitering at Monte Carlo, a few years ago, Mr. Rice is said to have closed Helena, Mont., April 13, 1889. the bank at one sitting, winning nearly 400,000 francs. Another story is that when Pierre Lorillard finished a certain contest at baccarat with him Lorillard was poorer by \$100,000.

In several of the eastern states the 30th of April has been proclaimed a general holiday. Similar proclamation in Montana would not be amiss, if, in closing the public schools the teachers would impress upon the pupils the sig-\$3.00 nificance of the occasion. The centennial of the inauguaration of the first OFFICIAL PAPER OF LEWIS AND president of the United States is an event worthy of observance, especially as the day is approaching when Montana The INDEPENDENT has a larger daily circula- is to assume closer relations to the general government.

> THE New York papers do not realize the high privileges they enjoy in having two | month thereafter, the Union Pacific railsuch distinguished individuals as Schuyler Crosby and R. B. Harrison resort to the courts of that city for a washing of their dirty linen. Says the Herald: "Why should Editor Harrison be threatened

JEFFERSON BRICK is editing the Mul lan (Idaho) Tribune, which paper reburst of self-glorification and of abuse of ferred to the editor of a Spokane Sunday Northern Pacific officials that is as paper as a low-lived, knock-kneed, board groundless in the one case as it is unjust ing-house-jumping hypocrite, a drunken in the other. At the meeting in Butte outlaw, an insane idiot (alliterative but

TERRITORIAL JOTTINGS.

Missoula decided, at an election held last Thursday, to re-incorporate.

Thos. Bivens, of Choteau county, died

April 8 at his home from hemorrhage of the iting Red Biuff indicates that the mines of that place are to boom this summer. Sun River Sun: Delegate "Carter's first crop of peas" has been received by the postmaster here and are now on distribu-

W. M. Stacey, an extensive stockgrower of eastern Montana, says there will be shipped from Texas to eastern Montana and northern Wyoming this season 100,000 head of cattle.

Husbandman: The wagon road connectand Homestake routes was ordered by the chief engineer of the Northern Pa-cific the middle of December last, and a route. The distance through to Bozeman

The annual meeting of the Montana Stock Growers' Association will be held at

Chronicle: The school election in Boze-

of the highest rank in their profession Chronicle: Agent Briscoe, of the Crows, had declared to be the only practicable from the state of Mississippi. To some this is an unpardonable sin. Agent Bris-coe has inaugurated a fight against the squaw men, which his successor will have to carry through and the result will be citizens of Helena in this matter can only | watched with considerable interest. Chronicle: Among the important build-ings to be erected in Bozeman this year is a grain elevator of 100,000 bushels capacity

for F. L. Benepe, the grain dealer. The building will be of the latestimproved pat-tern and substantially built. It will be erected alongside of the railroad track and will be of great benefit to our farm-ers who are River Press: W. G. Smith, of the Marias, is circulating a petition asking for a sta-tion house, postoffice and telegraph opera-tor at the Marias. These are much needed by the numerous settlers in that section and we sincerely trust the Manitoba rail-way and the government will grant the petitions. Mr. R. W. Garland is suggest-ed as station agent, postmaster and opera-

Husbandman: John Goodwin died at the county farm Thursday evening last. Uncle Johnny, as he was tamiliarly known, was an old time miner of Oregon gulch, where he lived for many years. His life was that of a hermit, he living alone and much of the time with no near neighbors. Of late years he has failed steadily and the county has assisted him at times, but it was only about a year ago that he came to the Springs for treatment and placed himself in charge of the county.

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THE MARKETS

STOCKS. New York, April 12,-Bar silver, 92%. Copper-Nominal: lake, April, \$14.50. Lead-Brisk; closing easy; domestic, \$3.67%.

The stock market was quiet but feverish and irregular throughout the day and prices made no

L. H. HERSHFIELD, Pres't. material progress in either direction, fina changes in all active shares being for fracthe sugar trust made a further advance at first, but became feverish and finally loat all of the im provement Government bonds dull. provement Government bonds dull.

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CHICAGO PRODUCE. CHICAGO, April 12.—1:15 p. m. Close—Wheat-Irregular; cash, 87; May, 88; July, 91 1:16 Corn—Steady; cash, 34%; May, 41 1:16; July, 45%. Onts-Steady; cash, 2456; May, 24 1-16; July, 244 Pork—Steady: cash \$11.50; May, \$11.50@ \$11.524; July, \$11.70, Lard—Steady; cash, \$9.75; May, \$6.80; July \$6.90.

Philadelphia, April 12—Wool quiet; prices largely nominal. Bostow, April 12,—Wool is in demand, but sales are still mostly of small lots. Territory, Oregon and California wools have been sold to moderate extent on a basis of 6%29%.



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